GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2576
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2003
ONE-BY-SIX SCHEME OF INCOME TAX
NANDIPAKU VENKATASWAMY

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cities/towns in which "one-by-six" scheme introduced for widening the tax base is presently in operation;

(b) whether the Government propose to extend the scheme to whole of country;

(c) if so, the details in this regard;

(d) if so, the total number of assessees brought under the tax-net under the scheme uptill December 31, 2002; and

(e) the total tax revenue realized/ collected under the scheme as on December 31, 2002?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(REVENUE) IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) The One-by-six scheme is presently in operation in 4989 cities/ towns of the country.

(b) No, Sir. However, it is submitted that the One-by-six scheme already covers all the urban areas of the country having a population of more than 5000 as per the 1991 census.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) The total number of assessees who have filed their income tax returns under the One-by-six scheme between 1st April 2002 and 31st December 2002 is 16.86 lakhs.

(e) One-by-six scheme covers all those assessees whose income is below the taxable limit and who are therefore otherwise not liable to file their income tax returns. Therefore, no separate records are maintained for collections.